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Case No. 9793/73

RDGmbH Ref. 18931-US/IR (5181/0Q/US)

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Johann Karl et al.

Serial No: 09/890,442

January 31, 2002

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N-Terminal proBNP

Examiner: James Leslie Grun, Ph.D.

Group Art Unit: 1641

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))

Mail Stop Appeal Brief - Patents Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Filed:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated July 19, 2005 for a period of two months.

\boxtimes	Applicant:		
		claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.	
	\boxtimes	is other than small entity	

Extension <u>Months</u>	Other Than <u>Small Entity</u>	Small Entity
One Month Two Months Three Months Four Months Five Months	\$120.00 \$450.00 \$1,020.00 \$1,590.00 \$2,160.00	\$60.00 \$225.00 \$510.00 \$795.00 \$1,080.00

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	Attached is a check for \$ for the Petition fee.
	Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$ for the Petition fee.
\boxtimes	Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached. Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 19, 2005

Registration No. 48,059 Agent for Applicants

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